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LATE TESTIMONY



Honorable Marcus Oshiro, Chair Honorable Marilyn Lee, Vice Chair House Committee on Finance

RE: SB 2236 HD1 - Relating to Information Technology (Special Purpose Revenue Bonds to Assist Clearcom, Inc., in the Development of Broadband Infrastructure in Hawaii) – COMMENT

March 28, 2012, 10:00 AM - Conference Room 308 - (Agenda #1)

Aloha Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee and members of the committee,

On behalf of Oceanic Time Warner Cable (Oceanic), which provides a diverse selection of entertainment, information, and communication services to over 425,000 Hawaii households, schools and businesses and currently employs more than 1,000 highly-trained individuals, we appreciate the opportunity to testify on this bill.

This bill is intended to authorize the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Clearcom, Inc., or a partnership headed by Clearcom, Inc., with planning, permitting, designing, constructing, equipping, and operating broadband infrastructure throughout the State.

We support the planning, permitting, designing, constructing, equipping and operating of broadband infrastructure throughout the state. We support the portion of this bill that addresses the need to build out infrastructure in unserved rural areas of the state. However, we do have concerns with the other provisions of this bill which appear to support duplicative broadband improvements in urban areas which are already served.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

Sincerely,

Bob Barlow

President of Oceanic Time Warner Cable